



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Notice of Proposed Action

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The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for the renewal of a Water Pollution Control Permit, as a Closure Permit, for the **McCoy/Cove Mine**, a mining facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for renewal of Permit **NEV0088009** is:

Newmont Mining Corporation
McCoy/Cove Mine
#1 McCoy Road
P.O. Box 1658
Battle Mountain, Nevada 89820

The facility, known as the McCoy/Cove Mine, is located in Sections 1, 2, 11, and 12 of Township 28N, Range 42E; Sections 5, 6, 7, and 8 of Township 28N, Range 43E; Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36 of Township 29N, Range 42E; and in Sections 30 and 31 of Township 29N, Range 43E, Mount Diablo Baseline & Meridian, approximately 30 miles southwest of the town of Battle Mountain in Lander County. This project is in closure. The facility consists of three heap leach pads, tailings impoundment, six process ponds, two open pits - one containing a pit lake, nine waste rock dumps, associated roads, office trailer, and maintenance shop.

The Administrator is constrained to issue a renewed water pollution control permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative determination to issue the renewed permit.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation in the permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, NAC Chapter 445A, must submit their comments, objections, or requests no later than 30 days following the date of publication of this notice (5:00 pm, 6 October 2006) to:

Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation
Attn: Karl McCrea
901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, NV 89701

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All comments or objections received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this permit. If the Division determines written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in this matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 445A.405.

The permit and all application documents subsequent thereto are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to NRS 445A.665. For more information, contact Mr. Karl McCrea at (775) 687-9407 or (775) 687-9400, or visit our website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.html>

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